

## STANTON PARISH COUNCIL

### Unconfirmed Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2019

#### at 7.30pm in Crosscrake School, Crosscrake

**PRESENT:** Chair Julie Knowles; Vice Chair John Stott; Cllrs. Geoff Wilson and Ian Valentine; District Cllrs. Brian Cooper (until 8.20pm) and Roger Bingham (from 8.50pm); the Clerk and 4 members of the public.

**100.18 APOLOGIES** were received from District Cllr. Tom Harvey.

**101.18 RESIGNATION OF CLLR. MARK HOLMES:** Cllr. Holmes had tendered his resignation which was reluctantly accepted. The Council expressed their warm thanks for his work in the period that he was a councillor and understood the problems which had arisen with regard to conflicts of interest.

**102.18 MINUTES: Resolved** that the minutes of the meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> January 2019 be confirmed as a true record and be signed by the Chair of the meeting.

**103.18 REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION:** None.

**104.18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** None.

#### **105.18 OPEN SESSION:**

a) Further comments were made with regard to SLDC's decision to accept the application for prior notification of an agricultural building being erected at Helm Croft, Barrows Green under new legislation permitting a floor area of a maximum of 1000 square metres without prior approval. It was understood that SLDC were investigating the complaints that had been made.

b) An Open Day was to be held at Sellet Estate Stables & Stud in the afternoon of 27<sup>th</sup> April 2019.

#### **106.18 REPORTS:**

a) Neighbourhood Policing Team: The Clerk read out a written report from PCSO Boack (copy of full report held by the Clerk). There had been no incidents directly linked to the parish.

b) District Councillors: Cllr. Cooper reported with regard to the Council Tax increase in respect of the police rate; customer connect; climate change measures; poverty measures; and the £5 million expenditure on South Lakeland House.

c) County Councillor: There was no report.

#### **107.18 HIGHWAYS/FOOTPATHS:**

- i. The Clerk reported that he had not yet heard from Cllr. Gray as to whether she had any available allowance allocation for use in erecting a red symbol "unsuitable for heavy vehicles" sign at the top of Stainton Lane alongside the existing blue sign.
- ii. Many potholes had been filled between the school and the canal and the Chair would continue to report those that needed work including those from the church to Shyreakes and on Millbridge Lane. She asked parishioners to also make reports to Cumbria County Council on the hotline or the website with regard to potholes and gullies causing flooding.
- iii. The Clerk was asked to contact Peter Hosking at Cumbria County Council with regard to the outstanding work on the walls adjacent to the beck and the ford.

**108.18 COMMON LAND:** There was nothing further to report at present with regard to the requested removal of the fencing and the tarmac from the common land at Barrows Green.

**109.18 LITTER PICK:** Cllr. Wilson had made the arrangements for the annual litter picking day on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2019.

#### **110.18 PLANNING:**

It was noted that the following planning applications had been **approved** by SLDC since the last meeting:

##### **SL/2018/0562 Sellet Estate Stables & Stud, Stainton**

Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) attached to planning permission SL/2017/0871

##### **SL/2018/0504 Millers Beck Guest House, Millbridge Lane, Stainton**

Change of use from guest house & 2 apartments to single holiday let

It was noted that the following planning applications had been submitted to SLDC since the last meeting with a consultation deadline before this meeting:

##### **SL/2018/0142 Sellet Estate Stables & Stud, Stainton**

Installation of Klargestar BF Bio Disk sewage treatment plant (The Council had made **no comment**)

**SL/2019/0145 Land East of A65 and North of Sepulchre Lane, Summerfields, Kendal**  
Installation of natural burial ground (The Council had made **comments**)

**111.18 FINANCE:**

**a) The following payments were approved:**

Crosscrake School - Hire and associated costs of meeting	£20.00
M R Richardson -Clerk's Salary to 29 <sup>th</sup> March £540.45 less PAYE £108.20 plus expenses £21.74 (broadband/telephone/postage/stationery) and motor expenses £16.20 (36 miles @ 45p)	£470.19
HMRC - PAYE re M R Richardson	£108.20

**b) Resolved** that the Asset Register be approved subject to some description amendments which didn't affect the total figure.

**c)** The Clerk had forwarded to Cllrs. a document with regard to the Effectiveness of Internal Audit and he reported that the internal audit would be carried out on 9<sup>th</sup> April 2019.

**d)** The Clerk reported that the reconciled bank balance at 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019 was £6,594.91. The chair was authorised to counter-sign the bank statement.

**112.18 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING:** This is to be held on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2019 in Crosscrake Primary School, Crosscrake at 7.30pm. and it was agreed to invite representatives from the Canal & River Trust to address the meeting with regard to Stainton Aqueduct; from the Church to discuss their fundraising; and from Barn 4 Stainton to report on the up-to-date position.

**113.18 CONSULTATION & FUNDING REQUESTS:** None.

**114.18 MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS:**

- i. **B4RN:** It was reported that the funding request for £20,000 from the SLDC Locally Important Projects Fund has been approved. The Council **approved** the payment of the Parish Online subscription at the end of April 2019 on the understanding that this will be repaid out of B4RS funds.
- ii. **Stainton Aqueduct:** It was reported that work was continuing.

**115.18 CORRESPONDENCE:**

The following correspondence received and not included as an item on this agenda was noted:

- i. CALC – North West Coastal Access update January 2019 (emailed to Cllrs.28/1/19)
- ii. CALC – Cumbria Arts & Culture network ebulletin (emailed to Cllrs. 6/2/19)
- iii. CALC – List of training courses to 26/3/19 (emailed to Cllrs. 6/2/19)
- iv. CALC – February 2019 newsletter (emailed to Cllrs. 12/2/19)
- v. CALC – Cumbria's Local Industrial Strategy consultation events (emailed to Cllrs. 18/2/19)
- vi. SLDC – New scheme to help householders in fuel poverty (emailed to Cllrs. 18/2/19)
- vii. SLDC – Link to SLDC agenda for meeting on 26/2/19 (emailed to Cllrs. 19/2/19)
- viii. SLDC – Request for topics for consideration by Overview & Scrutiny Committee 2019-20 (emailed to Cllrs. 20/2/19)
- ix. CALC – Coastal community input into the North West Marine Plan (emailed to Cllrs. 21/2/19)
- x. CALC – CCC Working Together project (emailed to Cllrs. 21/2/19)
- xi. CALC – Tour of Cumbria cycle event 27/7/19 notification (emailed to Cllrs. 22/2/19)
- xii. CALC – Final paperwork for District Association meeting on 7/3/19 (emailed to Cllrs. 25/2/19). Cllr. Stott had attended the meeting and reported thereon including a police report that calls to 101 would not be dealt with until the following day.
- xiii. CALC – Survey re Lake District World Heritage status (emailed to Cllrs. 26/2/19)
- xiv. SLDC – Appleby Fair draft strategy consultation (emailed to Cllrs. 26/2/19)
- xv. SLDC – Community governance review / draft recommendations and second round of consultations (emailed to Cllrs.6/3/19)
- xvi. SLDC – Homeless strategy consultation 2019-24 draft (emailed to Cllrs.6/3/19)
- xvii. CALC – List of training courses to 31/7/19 (emailed to Cllrs.8/3/19)
- xviii. Rural Services Network – Call on government for a Rural Strategy (emailed to Cllrs.15/3/19)
- xix. CALC – March 2019 newsletter (emailed to Cllrs.19/3/19)

- xx. Highways England – A590 Brettagh Holt, Meathop & Greenodd roundabouts consultation (emailed to Cllrs. 19/3/19)

**116.18 ANY OTHER BUSINESS:** None

**117.18 COUNCILLORS' ISSUES TO BE RAISED AT NEXT MEETING (*No discussions must take place on these matters but will be placed on the next Agenda*):** None

**118.18 DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** The Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 20th May 2019 in Crosscrake School, Crosscrake following the Annual Parish Meeting which commences at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 9.20pm